

# HUMN 2012 ANTHROPOLOGIES OF THE EVERYDAY

**Credit Points** 10

**Legacy Code** 102347

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**Description** In 2021, this subject replaced by 102844 - Society, Culture and Human Diversity. Although people's lives vary significantly depending on ethnographic context, it is also through everyday practices and rituals that the universality of the human condition becomes most obvious. Close studies of how people create a living and make meaning of their everyday experiences in various contexts can thus provide valuable lessons about cultural difference as well as about what it means to be human, and is consequently a core aspect of anthropological inquiry. In this subject students engage with this overarching theme via ethnographic case studies as well as through inquiries into their own everyday lives.

**School** Social Sciences

**Discipline** Anthropology

**Student Contribution Band** HECS Band 4 10cp

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**Level** Undergraduate Level 2 subject

**Pre-requisite(s)** HUMN 1016

## Restrictions

Students in programs 1667 Bachelor of Social Science, 1733 Bachelor of Social Science (Advanced) and 6023 Diploma in Social Science/ Bachelor of Social Science must have successfully completed 40 credit points of Level 1 subjects.

## Learning Outcomes

On successful completion of this subject, students should be able to:

1. Apply anthropological concepts to the description of social and cultural phenomena of the everyday
2. Analyse how everyday social behaviour and practice are shaped by cultural factors
3. Articulate some ways that everyday social practice may help us understand human cultures
4. Evaluate the concept of *the everyday* through self-reflection
5. Apply anthropological theories to case studies
6. Utilise basic observational techniques in order to study aspects of everyday life

## Subject Content

Theorising the everyday experience;  
Belonging and homemaking; space and place;  
Everyday communication;  
Work, production and exchange;  
Childhood and schooling;  
Love and friendship;

Food as a cultural entity;  
Understanding the human body/embodied experiences;  
Understanding violence, illness and death;  
Human/animal relations;  
Conspicuous consumption;  
Developing online identities and virtual communication.

## Assessment

The following table summarises the standard assessment tasks for this subject. Please note this is a guide only. Assessment tasks are regularly updated, where there is a difference your Learning Guide takes precedence.

Type	Length	Percent	Threshold	Individual/ Mandatory Group Task
Online Journal	1000 words	30	N	Individual
Field Report	500 words plus visuals	20	N	Individual
Analytical Essay	1500 words	50	N	Individual